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ACTIVATION OF GENES OF INTEREST BY A SINGLE STRESS

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT BASED ON FAILURE TO RECEIVE OFFICE ACTION (MPEP711.03(C) AND 37CFR1.181)

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Sir:

During a recent, private visit to my previous work place in Miami (University of Miami) that I left in 2004 to move to my present location in Switzerland, I discovered a "Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due" dated 09/02/2005 as well as a "Notice of Abandonment" dated 02/10/2006 relating to the subject application. Because I had moved overseas and also because my move had occurred almost two years ago, forwarding of mail did not occur.

I would like to point out that the above-mentioned Office Actions were sent to Miami by mistake. The correspondence address on the "Utility Patent Application Transmittal" form filed with the subject application was my present address in Switzerland. All earlier Office Actions in this case were mailed correctly to my Swiss address. In addition, the Registry of patent attorneys has been showing correctly my Swiss address since 2004.

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I respectfully request that the holding of abandonment of the subject application be withdrawn and that the Notice of Allowance be remailed (or faxed) to the correct address (shown below for ready reference).

Date: April 11, 2006

Respectfully Submitted,

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